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SUBJECT: POLADS CONSULTATIONS ON MDW/RW

1. UK EMBOFF AUGUST 24 PASSED ACDA REVISED DRAFT UNGA
RESOLUTION ON MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS (MDW)
TEXT BEING TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL TO US NATO). NOTING THAT
REVISED DRAFT WAS PREPARED AFTER RECEIPT OF COMMENTS OF
NATO GOVS AS WELL AS OTHER CCD DELS, EMBOFF INDICATED UK
WOULD APPRECIATE FAIRLY DEFINITIVE USG REACTION.
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2. ACDA OFFICER PROVIDED UK EMBOFF WITH US REACTION ON
REVISED DRAFT AUGUST 26. RECALLING THAT PRELIMINARY US
COMMENT HAD BEEN CONVEYED ON FIRST DRAFT IN POLAD AUG. 23,
ACDA OFFICER NOTED CHANGE IN FORMULATION FROM NEW TYPES OF
MDW TO NEW MDW IN NEW DRAFT (FIFTH PREAMBULAR AND FIRST
OPERATIVE SENTENCES). EFFECT OF LATTER FORMULATION, IN

OUR VIEW, WOULD BE TO OPEN UP ISSUES (E.G. NEUTRON WARHEAD OR OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE WEAPONS) WHICH WE AND PRESUMABLY UK WOULD NOT WISH TO ADDRESS IN THIS CONTEXT.

3. RE TACTICS, ACDA OFFICER INDICATED THERE NOW SEEMS SCANT HOPE SOVIETS WOULD CONSIDER UK DRAFT AS BASIS FOR NEGOTIATING SUBSTITUTE FOR THEIR OWN MDW DRAFT TREATY, AT LEAST DURING 31ST UNGA. ACCORDINGLY, TEST OF DESIRABILITY OF PRESSING ALTERNATIVE MDW WOULD SEEM TO BE WHETHER IT CAN ATTRACT BROAD SUPPORT: QUESTION IS WHETHER PROPOSAL WOULD BE VIEWED, ESPECIALLY BY NON-ALIGNED, AS POSITIVE STEP IN COMING TO GRIPS WITH KNOTTY PROBLEM OR AS SELF-SERVING EFFORT TO DEFLECT ATTENTION FROM EXISTING MDW. ACDA OFFICER SUGGESTED FURTHER LOW KEY SOUNDINGS BY UK MIGHT SHED LIGHT ON ATTITUDES OF OTHER COUNTRIES, BOTH IN REGARD TO UPCOMING UNGA SESSION AND POSSIBLY LATER IN CONTEXT OF SSOD.

4. USNATO MAY DRAW ON POINTS CONTAINED PARA 3 ABOVE. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT KNOW IF REVISED UK DRAFT RESOLUTION HAS BEEN GIVEN WIDER CIRCULATION, THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD NOT MAKE REF TO IT OR TO DEFECTS WE SEE IN ITS FORMULATION IN POLADS UNTIL OR UNLESS IT IS CIRCULATED TO NATO DELS. VANCE

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